BIG GUNS IN ACTION A GREAT SPECTACLE

Unconscious Heroes Serve the Coast Batteries That Defy Dreadnaughts.

DISREGARD OF DEATH IS EXHIBITED BY ALL

Men Become Almost Demons Their Mad Desire to Score a Hit and Slay Others.

CHANAK KALESSI, March 23,-It takes courage of the highest order to handle the guns in a fort under bomardment, especially when the bombardment is the work of a flect armed with the latest of long range, large callbered guns, as has been the case

Owing to the fact that the fire of the pilies has in nearly all cases been at long range, the Turks, who man the forts of the Pardanelles hereabouts. have often been obliged to let a witharing cannonade go over them for hours pleasant relief. The fact that their unalterable resolution to carry it to the opponent has things more or less his finish." wn way produced in the man a strain which can only be eased with the order

of courage which only the best soldier can successfully stand. To flinch means to delay the work of others. Seconds often are precious then, and the artil-leyman of today has "to forget his own person," as an officer here aptly

Magnificent Spectacle.

sents a magnificent spectacle. Unconero. Each second may be his last in ife, for each instant may send into position a shell large enough to wreck the steel monster he serves and ar the man himself to pieces.

tear the man himself to pieces.
Finally, the ships of the antagonist have come within range. An observation officer, or possibly two or three, with as many men, have kept their eyes close to range-finders and telescopes. Terse commands call the men to their stations. An almost frenzied rush for the gun follows. Here a man ties a wad of cotton over his mouth and nose, another is busy stuffing his ears with the same material to lessen the shock of the detonation of the charge. Commands begin to be heard: "Fleces number so-and-so, ready to fire."

Loading the Gun.

One of the men on the floor of the books the thing, carriage and all, to the hoist itself. It is carried into position, and a man on the platform seizes it, and, with a mighty, driving swing, slams it into the chamber. From the left a man produces a large can of "fixed ammunition"-enough high ex-

"fixed ammunition"—enough high explosive to blow up everybody in the emplacement.

A shell from the enemy explodes tearby. Nobody seems to care. The can of explosive follows the shell into the recesses of the gun. The block slams home. The shell and charge landlers step aside.

The distance to the target—the warbinp—is repeated. The long barrel eletates itself as if it were a sentient thing, describing at the same time a slight sweep sidewise. Then the bartel stops.

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The man on the platform as yet is not satisfied. He again turns his lever. There is another slight movement of the barrel—also imperceptible to the eye. Then, as if shot almost, the man

jumps aside.

"Fire!" comes the command. A man yanks a lanyard. Out of the long barrel bursts a sheet of flame which in a fraction of a second is enveloped in a cloud of reddish smoke, and out of this moke rises majestically the projectile—a projectile like those which sank the French battleship Bouvet and plerced the steel sides of the British battleships Irresistible and Ocean.

But more often the shell falls wide of the mark, now short, now too far. The men meanwhile have again loaded the piece. Again the flash, the deafening roar, and again the breathless expectancy as to what will become of the mell.

By this time everybody in the bat-tery is oblivious of the dangers from the enemy's shells. The question up-

permost is: "Will this shot get them?" Score a Hit.

it did! From the feck of a vessel rises an ugly mass of flame and black smoke. Through the battery reverberates noise from human throats-s shout, a cry of wild, superhuman joy that succeeds for a moment in overpowering even the wall of air-churn ing shell and the clatter of falling steel splinters.
It is a moment that has no equal in

the gamut of sensations of the man of normal life. Here men expect to be killed and wish to kill; here men thirst for blood because others are doing the same thing. What matter if the next moment be the last? The sole desire is to inflict destruction on the enemy. Responsibility rests everywhere—on the shoulders of every man. Efficiency means disaster to the enemy. The clumsy member of the crew finds himself suddenly kicked aside. Somebody else does his work better. The clumsy one thinks for a minute and recaptures his job—glad of the chance to get it back.

An enemy's shell hits the traverse in front of the piece—an intense flash, an air wave hotter than the breath of a steel furnace, an avalanche of foul vapor, a crash that seems to rock the carth and then a howling, shricking, wailing, whistling chorus of shell fragments fills the air. In a second the mass which has risen from the earthwork descends.

The men await fate. Then come the soft thuds of falling earth—little clods and big clods. A wave of sand falls. for blood because others are doing the

Result of Shell Explosion.

The men on the platform wipe the dirt of them lies on the stone floor-dead or unconscious. Four strong hands seize his arms and legs and carry him to a casemate, where a surgeon is in waiting On the platform of the gun a man is manipulating the handles that swing the manipulating the handles that swing the piece—up and down and sideways. It is intact. The officer on the observation post leans over to watch the maneuver he puts a question—the gun is all right. Maain the shell is hoisted up, slammed home and joined by the explosive. Again the sharp calling of orders, the sighting, the roar of the explosion, the flight of the projectile and the eager demand for the result a hit or a miss.

And when all is over the men sit down to catch their breath, physically and emially. They come to remember that ley are still alive and that they will a obliged to do it all over again.

Aleveland Company Gets Contract. Secretary Dantels has awarded the -ontract for a 150-ton floating crane for a Norfolk navy yard to the Wellman-Scaver-Morgan Company of Cleveland, Ohlo, at \$350,394. The bidders included four American firms, two Dutch and one

CITES CAUSES OF WAR AS VIEWED BY RUSSIA

Address by Minister of Foreign Affairs Is Summarized by Embassy Here.

Viewed from a Russian standpoint, a receive the leave with full tion was given out today at the Russian embassy in a translation of the latest speech of the Russian minister of foreign affairs in the duma

This cites the causes of the war as Russia sees them, and contends that the fighting was thrust upon Russia and her allies and was but the culminaion of a diplomatic campaign. Tribute is paid to the valiancy of Belglum, "who by her sufferings and great

leeds gained for herself immortal glory," and to the "sincere and effective co-operation" of the allies, as fol-"Our reciprocal work in the domain

of politics and war has been broadened in these days by new agreements of a financial and economic character

Significance of Agreements. The significance of these agreements in their bearing upon the suc-cessful accomplishment of the difficult tasks before us will, of course, not es-

cape your attention. The fully apparent result thereof is that Russia, as well as her allies, orbefore having even the satisfaction of ganized the matter of their struggle firing back, which is admitted to be a with Germany in accordance with their

finish."

The welding of Russian and Serbian interests is emphasized, also the co-operation of Montenegro "in the common Slavic cause," the consistent attitude of Persia and Japan, and cordial relations with Greece.

Surprise is expressed that non-warring nations have not long since seen a duty to espouse the cause of the allies, and gratitude for services rendered is spoken for Spain, Italy and Sweden.

Troops in Persian Territory.

In defense of sending troops to Persia, the statement says:

"The presence of our troops in Persian territory by no means involves a violation of Persian neutrality. Our detachments were sent to that country some years ago for the definite purpose of establishing and maintaining order in districts contiguous to our possessions, of high economic importance to us; also to prevent the seizure of some of these districts by the Turks. who openly strove to create for themselves there, especially in the district of Urumiah, a convenient base for military operations against the Caucasus. The Persian government, not having the actual power to maintain its neutrality, met the Turkish violation of the latter with protests, which, however, had no results.

United States."

The term "troops' has been held by the accounting officers of the United States, the cacounting officers of the Treasury for a long series of years to comprehend the entire military, including naval, force of the United States, the controller of the Treasury, George E. Downey, comments—that is, the army and navy and all parties connected therewith, including their civilian employes and agents.

"The Coast Guard having been established by Congress as a part of the military forces of the United States, and transportation provided for them and for the civilian employes connected therewith over the dand-grant roads is therefore subject to the conditions relating to the transportation of troops of the United States."

Court Asked to Advance Cases.

The Supreme Court of the United States has been requested to advance for hearing probably October 12 cases.

Relations With England Reciprocal. "I must remark with pleasure that our relations with England in the Per-

sian affair, more than at any previous emplacement wheels a large shell to time, rest upon a basis of full mutual the foot of the ammunition hoist, and confidence and sincere reciprocity. "The political agreements which w concluded with Japan in 1907 and 1910 have recently given an especially clear demonstration of their value, and have borne abundant fruit. In the present war Japan is on our side, and our relations are really those of allies."

Francis M. Merriken, seventy-nine years old, said to be the oldest engraver in Baltimore, died at his home in that city.

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RULES SURGEON YOUNG NOT ENTITLED TO PAY

Controller Says He Has No Right to Resume Duty Status After Four Years' Absence.

on leave without pay for his own convenience for nearly four years is en titled on his return to duty to at once ummary of the last six months' activi- which he would have been entitled had ties and of the present political situa- he been regularly performing duty would be utterly unreasonable, unfair to the government and contrary to the spirit and purpose of the leave laws."
So epitomizing his views, and making the further observation that cumulative leave is carned by service, the controller of the Treasury, George E. Downey, rules that Surgeon George B. Young of the public health service, on leave without new for four years to leave without pay for four years to allow him to administer the office of public health commissioner of Chicago, public health commissioner of Chicago, has no right to resume his duty status in the public health service with entitlement to cumulative leave for the period of his suspension from the service which could have accrued had he been in active service with the public health service.

Leave of Absence Did Not Accrue. Leave of absence did not accrue to urgeon Young, the controller of the

Treasury decided, while on his leave "Surgeon Young was only whatever and not on a pay status during nearly four years immediately preceding his application for leave," finally comments (four players).

comments Controller Downey. COAST GUARD "TROOPS."

Controller of the Treasury Rules as

to Transportation Privileges. Officers and enlisted men of the Coast Guard are "troops" within the meaning of the land-grant acts. They are entitled to the benefits of transportation provided for "troops of the

States has been requested to advance for hearing, probably October 12, cases

before the court involving the constitutionality and construction of the federal income tax law and the constitutionality of the Arizona alien labor law.

Foreigners Flock to Panama. Continued flocking of foreign labor canal has made restrictive measures necessary, according to advices to the State Department. Immigrants arriving in Panama as third class or deck passengers now are required to de-posit \$30 with the government pend-ing presentation of proofs that they have secured permanent employment.

WICKERSHAM TO HEAD **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

Other Appointments Announced by President Root of New York Con-"To hold that an officer who has been stitutional Convention.

> ALBANY, N. Y., April 21.-George W. President Elihu Root as chairman of the judiciary committee of the New ating his wife's affections York state constitutional convention This assignment is the choicest of the York senator at the reconvening of April 7.

Edgar T. Brackett of Saratoga was made head of the committee on the legislature and placed second on judictary. Republicans, who hold the majority in the convention, were chosen to head all committees, but democrats received good memberships. There are no pro-

gressive delegates. Republican Chairmanships.

Some of the republican chairmanship assignments are: William Barnes, legislative powers; Frederick C. Tanier, governor and other state officers, short ballot; Seth Low, cities; Henry L. Stimson, state finances; Louis Marshall, preamble and bill of rights; Tharles M. Dow, conservation; Martin Charles M. Dow, conservation; Martin Saxe, taxation, and Alan C. Forbes, banking and insurance.

Assignments of Democrats

Well known democrats in important nemberships: Morgan J. O'Brien, conservation and preamble; Robert F. Wagner, judiciary and finance; Albert E. Smith, legislative organization and industrial interests; John B. Stanchfield, judiciary and finance; John G. Saxe, suffrage and conservation; De-lancey Nicell, judiclary and finance.

DENIES INDIAN CANNIBALISM.

Pueblos, Christians for Some 300 Years, School Official Declares.

C. J. Crandall, superintendent of the to Indian Commissioner Sells has denied published reports of cannibalism among the Pueblo Indians, and declared these tribesmen were Christians of some 300 years' standing.
"I know these Pueblos as few others

do," said the agent. "When any one talks about human sacrifice, the keeping of large snakes in captivity, and the feeding of babies to these snakes. I am sure they are trying to be sensational, or are utterly deceived.

The agent added that Tesuque, the village or pueblo referred to in stories of cannibalism, is within ten miles of Santa Fe, and that the eighty-five people there are simple and industrious.

MAX FREDERICK KLEIST IS DENIED HEART BALM

Court Dismisses Suit Against Wife's Parents for \$250,000 Damages on Charge of Alienation.

NEW YORK, April 27 .- The two-hun dred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar damage suit brought against Edward N. Breiung, capitalist, of Marquette, Mich. and his wife by Max Frederick Kleist Wickersham, former United States At- their son-in-law, was dismissed yesterforney General, has been named by day by Federal Judge Hough. Kleis

Court Announces Opinion

In dismissing the suit, after the evi dence was all in, Judge Hough read a lengthy opinion, in which he said the parents were in no way obliged to accept the conduct of a son-in-law. The court ruled that Kleist had failed to prove any improper act on the part of their child. Kleist's attorney announced

Kleist and Miss Breitung were mar ried in November, 1913. Prior to his marriage to the capitalist's daughter. Kleist had been a coachman, employed by a neighbor of Mr. Breitung in Mar-

quette. "This case presents an opportunity," said Judge Hough, in his opinion dis said Judge Hough, in his opinion dis-missing the case, "to put in practice a theory of law which will minimize the sordid demands for litigation of this kind. Parents are not responsible for lack of affection, nor are they respon-sible for an abundance of affection for them which might outweigh the affec-tion the child might have for the

Not Bound to Approve Marriage. "No parent is bound, in fear of a suit, o approve his child's marriage, or to close his house to his own child or to admit to that house the consort, male or female, chosen by his child. It is my opinion that the parents in this situation are not subject to criticism by either judge or jury. I fail to see any act done by the defendants in-jurious to the plaintiff or actuated by any other motive than proper regard for their daughter."

IS NOW QUARANTINE SHIP.

Gunboat Concord, Unfit for Active Duty, Is Transferred.

The gunboat Concord, one of the first her usefulness as a fighting vessel, has been turned over to the Treasury Department for use as a quarantine ship in Puget sound, Washington. The Concord, authorized in 1887, was launched twenty-five years ago, and before the development of cruisers in the navy did much cruiser duty. She lately has been used as a naval militia ship. The Concord was one of Admiral Dewey's fleet in the battle of Manila

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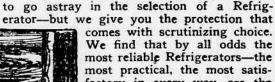
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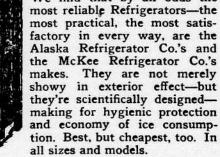


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REJECTS OFFICERS' CLAIMS.

Jontroller Refuses to Pay Certain

Expenses of Two Lieutenants. The efforts of First Lieut. Francis Ruggles, U. S. A., to obtain reimursement from the government in the sum of \$415.32, alleged to be rent paid

by him as military attache of the American legation in Chile for offices for his use in Santiago, has for the third time been denied.

Lieut. Charles W. Early, a naval officer, also has his "good faith" questioned by Controller Downey in making claim for reimbursement for travel from Hampton roads to New York on the collier Mars, \$26.72.

"It would appear that Lieut. Early! rit would appear that Lieut. Early in Shoshone county, Idaho, has been de-

exercised the choice given him to travel by the U. S. S. Mars to Hampton roads, with the understanding that he would pay his own expenses from there to New York, instead of returning to New York direct by the U. S. S. Celtic," says Controller Downey, rejecting the claim.

"The action in exercising the chaim.

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